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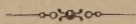
REPORTS.

HILL, N. H.

1885.

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REPORT
OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS
OF THE
TOWN OF HILL, N. H.,
INCLUDING A REPORT FROM THE
Superintending School Committee,
FOR THE
Year Ending March 1, 1885.



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REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN AND TREASURER.

*The Selectmen and Treasurer of the town of Hill, for
1884, charge themselves with the following items:*

Cash received as follows:

Treasurer for 1883,	\$331 65
Savings Bank tax,	507 33
Railroad tax,	178 93
Literary fund,	75 60
Tax committed to Collector,	3,598 31
County of Merrimack for paupers,	632 83
Town of Sanbornton, one-half of bridge bills,	11 47
G. A. Sumner, fees for weighing,	28 10
State Treasurer, bounty on woodchucks,	73 90
A. A. Woodward,	100 00
F. W. Eaton, Collector for 1873-4,	9 95
D. B. Dickerson, " " 1877,	7 11
G. W. Dearborn, " " 1883,	582 70
J. E. Newton, for real estate,	5 00
Abatement of taxes for 1876,	4 50
" " " 1878,	5 88
" " " 1878,	15 84
" " " 1883,	58 72
	\$6227 82

Which is accounted for as follows:

Out-standing claims prior to March 1, 1884.

E. S. Eastman, breaking roads,	5 76
Augustus Dustin, " " "	4 25
James T. Ballou, labor on " "	3 25
Wilbur E. Veasey, " " "	2 56
Perly B. Dickenson, " " "	1 25
F. C. Shaw, excess of tax,	11 35
C. H. Dickerson, plank for bridge,	6 92
I. J. Brown, " " "	4 08

R. W. Musgrove, printing reports,	12 50
G. A. Sumner, auditing accounts,	1 00
G. D. Stackpole, express on reports,	20
M. F. Little, labor on roads,	1 50
Harrison Adams, " "	1 46
Charlotte Huse, stone for bridge,	7 11
Jacob Hall, breaking roads,	4 32
Albert Bush, " "	4 20

\$71 71

TOWN EXPENSES FOR 1884.

W. F. Baldwin, services as S. S. Committee,	\$35 00
F. P. Parker, " Town Clerk,	25 00
G. A. Sumner, " Public Weigher,	14 05
F. B. Shaw, " Treasurer,	35 00
F. E. Adams, " Supervisor,	5 25
J. E. Newton, " Selectman,	80 00
A. D. Prescott, " "	50 00
L. L. Mason, " "	40 00
D. B. Dickerson, Collector, 1877,	14
G. W. Dearborn, " 1883,	16 04
J. R. Rowell, " 1884,	92 33
J. E. Newton, board of Selectmen,	12 00
A. D. Prescott, board of Selectmen,	2 00
J. E. Newton, expense to Concord and cash paid out,	15 00
F. B. Shaw, expense to Concord and cash paid out.	2 50

\$424 31

SUPPORT OF TOWN PAUPERS.

J. E. Newton, support of E. M. Woodward and child,	260 00
W. F. Baldwin, services rendered E. M. Woodward,	60 75
C. H. Dickerson, one pair rubber boots,	2 50

\$323 25

SUPPORT OF COUNTY PAUPERS.

E. E. Favor, board of R. Fellows to Feb. 1,	\$104	00
Jacob Hall, " Philena Harriman to		
Nov. 21,	63	00
J. C. Wheat, services rendered "	3	50
W. F. Baldwin, " " "	6	00
R. W. Quimby, board of Lydia Mowe to		
Feb. 1,	78	00
S. A. Quimby, making clothes, and medicine,	12	00
G. D. Stackpole, goods and medicine for		
L. Mowe,	19	10
G. A. Sumner, " for L. Mowe,	6	11
D. F. Dustin, board of S. Hill to Feb. 1,	39	00
W. F. Baldwin, services rendered Veasey		
family,	101	55
J. E. Newton, wood, grain etc., furnished		
Veasey family,	20	24
M. Kenney, services rendered V. family,	3	00
S. S. Brock, " " "	2	00
G. A. Sumner, goods furnished "	12	42
F. B. Shaw, meat " "	2	75
G. A. Sumner, goods " B. Evans family,	140	00
W. F. Baldwin, services rendered " " "	45	50
Town of New Hampton for " "	11	00
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	\$669	17

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Wilbur E. Veasey, labor and breaking out,	\$14	10
D. W. Hall, " "	23	58
Reuben Jaquith, " on roads, "	11	50
Horace Swett, " " "	6	72
G. H. Simonds, " "	10	18
E. G. Adams, " "	7	50
D. B. Dickerson, " and breaking out,	19	32
J. A. Bickford, " on roads,	3	00
A. J. Dustin, " "	6	25
L. L. Mason, " and breaking out,	21	85

J. L. Hunt,	"	"	7	25
Henry Stevens,	"	"	11	99
A. O. Wade,	"	on roads,	2	08
Clark Merrill,	"	"	4	00
H. L. Brown,	"	"	3	75
Daniel Wise,	"	"	3	50
Elijah Sanborn, for lumber,			1	88
I. T. Follansbee,	"	use of scraper, etc.,	10	45
E. W. Mason, labor on roads,			15	00
W. B. Cawley for lumber,			35	34
Jacob Hall, labor and breaking out,			20	32
Henry Graham,	"	"	2	50
S. W. Carleton,	"	"	10	65
D. H. Trumbull,	"			92
G. W. Dearborn, lumber and		"	40	29
E. E. & Eugene E. Cawley,		"	4	26
W. H. Chamberlain, lumber,			1	25
I. D. Emmons, labor and breaking out,			61	09
F. G. Dickerson,	"	"	20	60
J. R. Adams,		"	6	50
G. H. Veasey,	"	"	6	25
D. Swett,	"	"	4	00
G. W. Sargent,	"	"	2	00
G. H. Sargent,	"	"	5	00
Gust Sargent,		"		90
A. F. Roberts,		"	8	00
R. W. Quimby,		"	13	38
S. H. Dustin,	"	"	10	38
Patrick Kenney, Esq., labor		"	11	81
J. E. Newton,	"	"	24	76
H. C. Bartlett, plank, powder, etc.,			2	25
M. Kenney, breaking out,			2	21
W. F. Cilley,	"		10	68
Milton Mason, labor on roads,			3	00
James Kenney,	"	and breaking out,	4	16
C. M. Cilley,		"	6	66
Hiland Ballou,		"	8	40
E. E. Cawley,	"	"	11	28

S. S. Brock,	"	"	"	32	13
O. S. Addison,	"	"	"	3	11
A. P. Wade,	"	"	"	6	36
E. T. Eastman,	"	"	"	9	36
L. T. Dearborn,	"	"	"	2	25

\$575 95

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

District No. 1,	David Fowler,	\$249	63
" 2,	I. C. Ballou,	54	41
" 3,	Reuben Jaquith,	106	61
" 4,	George W. Dearborn,	102	96
" 7,	L. A. Welcome,	46	76
		raised by	
district,		25	00
" 8,	C. M. Cilley,	45	58
" 9,	Clark Merrill,	66	10
" 10,	Andrew J. Phelps, Jr.,	120	00

\$817 05

TAXES PAID.

State tax,	\$424	00
County tax,	417	21
Memorial tax,	25	00
Non-resident tax worked out,	1	68

\$867 89

PAID NOTES AND INTEREST.

D. H. Trumbull,	\$27	18
Betsy Carleton,	85	87
M. H. Straw,	427	70
Eliza Wade,	89	48
E. C. Merrill,	169	10
Albert Bush,	20	53
Sarah A. Quimby,	85	65

Edgar Trumbull,	29 53
Sally Trumbull,	59 78
Emma E. Trumbull,	122 40
M. E. A. Emerton,	184 28
Albert E. Plummer,	241 35

\$1,542 85

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

Paid bounty on 747 woodchucks,	\$74 70
James B. Staples, labor on guide boards,	27 00
W. F. Baldwin, return of births and deaths,	1 50
Clark Merrill, keeping tramp,	75
E. B. Merrill, damage to carriage,	3 50
J. P. Ladd, keeping tramp,	1 00
A. D. Prescott, “	1 00
G. D. Stackpole, oil for bridge,	1 56
“ “ books and blanks,	3 50
J. B. Sanborn, order “ “	3 40
R. W. Musgrove, printing blanks and bills,	2 00
I. H. Fowler, use of watering trough,	2 50
L. L. Mason, taking paupers to farm,	3 00
B. W. Richardson, use of watering trough,	2 50
J. E. Newton, cleaning town house,	2 00
J. B. N. Gould, return of births,	50
G. W. Dearborn, use of watering trough,	2 50
William Joyce, “ “	2 50
E. B. S. Sanborn, services in Woodward case,	35 00
J. E. Newton, nails, etc.,	51
G. A. Sumner, oil for bridge, nails, etc.,	4 14
E. G. Cawley, lighting bridge,	18 00
F. E. Adams, books furnished indigent scholars,	70
W. F. Baldwin, furnishing notices and certificates,	1 00
K. E. Dearborn, legal advice,	5 00

\$199 76

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

O. D. Young,	'76	\$2 25	Carleton Dufer,	'84	2 00
Frank Morgan,	"	2 25	W. F. Cilley,	"	4 90
G. W. Twombly,	'78	5 88	Blake, Mary, est'e of	"	5 88
Horace Dufer,	'79	2 07	James Jones,	"	1 96
Horace Ballou,	"	4 76	Jacob Dow,	"	1 96
E. H. Hadley,	"	2 07	M. E. Southworth,	"	3 92
Quincy Dustin,	"	2 07	L. A. Follansbee,	"	50
S. H. Dustin,	"	2 69	Hiram Stuart,	"	76
John Hilliard,	"	1 18	G. H. Sargent,	"	51
N. C. Young,	"	1 00	James Kenney,	"	1 96
Clark Merrill,	'83 ex	1 09	P. Daniels,	"	1 96
L. D. Bartlett,	"	58	Russel Swain,	"	1 96
Hiram Colby,	"	63	G. H. Veasey,	"	4 60
Mary Blake, estate of	"	6 56	N. M. Merrill,	" ex	1 37
C. E. Little,	"	2 19	G. W. Dimond,	"	1 96
Charles Welcome,	"	96	G. W. Twombly,	"	1 96
S. W. Carleton,	"	5 69	A. A. Woodward,	"	2 66
O. B. Hanaford,	"	1 10	W. B. Cawley,	" ex	1 96
Messer's Heirs,	" ex	2 01	I. H. Fowler,	" "	1 96
Royal Stone,	"	6 44	F. H. Ferrin,	" "	1 37
J. Young, estate of,	"	57	H. C. Bartlett,	" "	1 96
Charles Keaton,	"	10	R. Astell,	"	1 96
Albert Bush,	"	17	A. W. Prescott,	" ex	2 52
Carleton Dufer,	"	3 38	Charles Messer,	" "	2 02
W. A. Fowler,	"	2 19	H. Graham,	"	3 34
Harvey McIntire,	"	11 33	S. W. Carleton,	"	14 35
Hiram Stuart,	'83	13 74	D. W. Clough,	"	3 92

 \$161 12

RECAPITULATION.

Amount received by treasurer, \$6,227 82

Which is accounted for as follows:

Outstanding claims prior to

March 1, 1884,	\$71 71	
Town expenses,	424 31	
Support of town paupers,	323 25	
“ county “	669 17	
Roads and bridges,	575 95	
School districts,	817 05	
State tax,	424 00	
County tax,	417 21	
Notes and interest,	1,542 85	
Incidental expenses,	360 88	
Cash on hand,	574 76	
Non resident high way tax,	1 68	
Memorial tax,	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$6,227 82

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. NEWTON,	} Selectmen of Hill.
ASA D. PRESCOTT,	
LUTHER L. MASON,	

FRANK B. SHAW, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT.

Having carefully examined the foregoing accounts, I find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEO. A. SUMNER, Auditor.

FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE TOWN

MARCH 1, 1885.

Due school district No. 10, which has not been called for, \$119.78.

ASSETS.

Hay scales,	\$150 00
Due from I. H. Fowler on note,	21 44
“ Collector 1876,	38 12
“ “ 1877,	10 90
Cash on hand,	553 32
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	\$773 78

We congratulate the tax payers of the town that we are able to report to you that all notes against the town have been paid, leaving us out of debt with assets to the amount of \$773.78 on hand.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. NEWTON,	} Selectmen of Hill.
ASA D. PRESCOTT,	
LUTHER L. MASON,	

FRANK B. SHAW, Treasurer.

REPORT
OF THE
Superintending School Committee,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1885.

To the Inhabitants of Hill:— *

It is the custom for the Superintendent of Schools to make a report at the end of each year, and it is a good custom, if the law did not require it. What that report shall be is not stated by law. In all towns so far as I have observed, the report consists of advice regarding education. This part of the subject I shall let alone, for there is no use in reiterating the oft repeated story. I shall endeavor to give the condition of the schools and school property in our town.

The schools without exception have made excellent progress in studies, but order has been quite deficient in some. I do not attribute the blame entirely to the teachers, for all those scholars that were disposed to obey the rules found no difficulty in doing so. In one district there are a few and very few, who need some severity of discipline, and they are too old to whip and too uncultivated to appreciate the kindness and instruction of their teacher. It would be well to hire a teacher strong and robust whose ideas of war are similar to the officers of our army. It would be but a short time before they would be the meekest scholars in the district.

Still another district has a few unruly parents who are *very* zealous in keeping order, even going into the school and instructing the teacher in the art of government. In order to make our schools a success these two evils must be abated. Let all parents instruct their children how to behave at home, leaving the rest to the teacher, and there will then be no further trouble regarding order in school.

The condition of the schools is not what it should be. First, the school houses are poor, only one being in good repair and that one has no means of ventilation except by door or windows. The seats are small and unsuitable, making it very uncomfortable and tiresome for the scholars to sit in them six hours a day. Dist. No. 1 is the only one that has any maps or charts. Those in this school are very good. There is a great lack of interest among the citizens regarding the education of the young. On account of the division of district No. 10, there was no school house nor other suitable place for a school. A school meeting was finally called and a committee chosen to repair the old one. Also one hundred dollars was raised for the purpose. After this, there was nothing more done about it until late last fall, too late to have any school in the district. There is not the interest here that there should be. To illustrate this, one man said, (so I am informed) "I have covered the law by sending my children out of town to school the required number of weeks, and it makes no difference to me whether there is any school here or not." So long as this condition of things lasts there will not be much progress made in education.

Another thing requiring change is the text books. If the parent happens to have a speller or geography or an arithmetic that he used 50 years ago, he will insist upon his children using the same book. In one school I found five different spellers, three different arithmetics and two different geographies in use where only one of each ought to be used. I tried to change this condition but with very poor success. How can a teacher do justice to any class where only about five or ten minutes are allowed for each class. Should there be a uniformity of text books a great many five and ten minutes might be saved to be used in one class, and the progress would be more than pro-

portional. I wish the town would instruct the incoming superintendent to purchase a good map or globe for each one of our schools. The expense would be but slight when divided among the voters. One thing more and I am done.

The blackboards are nearly all of them very poor, and ought to be replaced by new ones, or the present ones repaired. There is a preparation made expressly for that purpose which is durable and cheap. I hope that may be used in place of the ordinary ones now in use,

DISTRICT No. 1.—VILLAGE.

MISS FLORA F. CILLEY taught this school the entire year, consisting of three terms of ten weeks each. First term, whole number of different scholars attending two or more weeks, 43; average number belonging to the school, 41; average daily attendance, 39; number that were not absent, 4. Wages per month, \$30.

Second or summer term, whole number of different pupils attending two or more weeks, 41; average number belonging to the school, 39; average daily attendance, 36; Number of scholars not absent during this term, 5. Wages, \$30.

Third or winter term, whole number of scholars attending two or more weeks, 45; average number belonging to the school, 42; average daily attendance, 39; number not absent, 3. Wages, 30 per month.

Miss Cilley has taught in this town before, and with excellent success. This is no exception so far as progress in studies is concerned. During the first term everything went nicely. The second and third terms the advancement in studies did not lessen, but the order was not so good. Had a very few of the older scholars stayed at home, the whole year would have been a success in all respects.

DISTRICT No. 3,—DICKERSON HILL.

Spring term was taught by CORA I. SARGENT. Length of school, nine weeks; whole number of different pupils attending two or more weeks, 15; average number belonging to the school, 15; average daily attendance, 13; number of scholars who have not been absent, 2. Wages per month, \$21. This

school showed by its examination that a competent teacher was there, and had not neglected her duty.

Second term of ten Weeks was taught by Miss I. BELLE SARGENT. Whole number of different scholars attending two or more weeks, 15 ; average number belonging to the school, 15 ; average daily attendance, 14 ; number that have not been absent, 3. Wages per month. \$20.

The general examination was good, and some of the classes were far above the average, but there was not sufficient attention given to their manners.

DISTRICT NO. 4,—CENTRE.

Miss H. AMANDA WHIDDEN taught both terms of school in this district. First term of 7 weeks there were 12 scholars ; average number belonging to the school, 11 ; average daily attendance, 10 ; number of scholars that were not absent, 4. Wages per month, \$22.

Second term, length of school term, 11 weeks ; whole number of scholars attending two or more weeks, 13 ; average number belonging to the school, 12 ; average daily attendance, 11 ; number not absent, 2. Wages per month, \$21.

This would have been a good place for any one to go who enjoys seeing perfect order and strict attention to business. One of our best schools.

DISTRICT NO. 7,—ADDISON'S.

First term was taught by Miss KATE E. FITZGERALD. Length of school, including fraction decimal, 7.7 weeks ; Wages per month, \$17. Whole number of different scholars attending two or more weeks, 22 ; average number of scholars belonging to the school, 18 ; average daily attendance, 15. This was Miss Fitzgerald's first term and she did well. The scholars seemed to understand fully all they had been over during the term.

Second term was taught by Miss MAY E. JORDAN. Length of school, 8 weeks ; whole number of different pupils attending two or more weeks, 15 ; average number belonging to the school, 13 ; average daily attendance, 11 ; number of pupils not absent during the term, 3. Wages per month, \$17. This was

Miss Jordan's first experience. Her order was good. She was liked by all the scholars, which, in itself shows that the school made good progress. I must say that one scholar in this school made more progress during the year than any other one in town.

DISTRICT NO. 8,—BUNKER HILL.

This school was taught by Miss KATE E. FITZGERALD. Length of school, 10 weeks; whole number of different scholars attending two or more weeks, 5; average number belonging to the school, 4. This was a small school and very orderly. The advancement in their studies was good.

DISTRICT NO. 9,—BOROUGH.

Miss MINNIE G. FOWLER, teacher. Length of school, 12 weeks; whole number of scholars attending two or more weeks, 15; average number belonging to the school, 13; average daily attendance, 11; number of pupils who have not been absent, 1. Wages per month, \$20.

This was Miss Fowler's first experience, she did well considering the condition of district. There was a vacation or recess in the middle of the term to give the children an *opportunity* to pick potatoes. This ought not to be allowed, for it made a serious break in the interest of the scholars and the progress of course was not what it would have been had this not occurred.

W. F. BALDWIN, S. S. *Committee.*

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